



Great Basin
Coordination Center

Evening Brief

Date/Time Stamp: **Saturday, August 22, 2015 - 8:26 PM**

Weather Summary

Cooler temperatures expected today in ID/WY/northern UT behind the cool front that moved through the northern Great Basin on Friday. Not much cooling will come to western or southern Nevada. Breezy WNW winds will continue this morning over parts of southern ID/northern UT/WY, but will be decreasing later in the day as the front moves further east of the region.

Some moisture remains over Utah today, however northwest flow will keep thunderstorms slightly further south today over southern UT and into far southern/eastern NV near the UT border, mainly in the higher elevations. Isolated thunderstorms will spread north again across UT on Sunday, again mainly in the mountains. By Monday, thunderstorms may return to far southern NV/UT and possibly into southwest WY, however the greater push of deep moisture will likely hold off until Tuesday.

Dry weather and warming temperatures expected over the rest of NV/ID through Monday as the ridge of high pressure strengthens over the Inter Mountain West. Monsoonal moisture surges northward through Utah/southern and eastern Nevada on Tuesday and Wednesday for an increase in lightning coverage, but also a greater possibility of some wetting rains and higher RH.

Weak disturbances may move around the high pressure, ahead of low pressure off the west coast to bring drier or mixed wet/dry thunderstorms to possibly the Sierra Front as early as Tuesday, with lightning chances increasing over northwest/northern NV into the west central and central ID mountains by Wednesday, and increasing over southern ID/WY by Thursday, with lightning/showers ongoing most days across UT. This increase in thunderstorm activity will likely result in new initial attack across the region.

Preparedness Levels

Current:

Great Basin	4
National	5

Great Basin Fire Activity: (Numbers gathered from Sit Report)

New Fires and Acres: 7 fires 5,298 acres

Minimal initial attack activity throughout the geographic area today. Significant gains were achieved on multiple large fires. Shortages of critical resources continue to hamper suppression efforts.

Resources:

Shortages of critical resources continue to hamper the likelihood of success of suppression strategies in multiple large fires.



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Great Basin Fire Potential Summary

Fire danger has been increasing region-wide with the warm and dry airmass in place. Fire Danger indices are higher now than they have been most of the summer across much of the Great Basin.

The expected increase in lightning activity Tuesday through Thursday next week across portions of Nevada/western Utah and Idaho may be on the dry side and will likely result in new initial attack and potential large fire activity. In the meantime, IA will likely still occur across UT through the weekend into next week as isolated thunderstorms continue.

Current Incident Details

Todays Activity (from WFDSS):

Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
2015 MILITARY ACTIVATION	2015-IDFCF-000663	0.1	Not Contained	43.56444	116.22278	No
TOLL	2015-IDSW-001063	0.1	Not Contained	43.6592	116.0756	No
White Cliff Ridge	2015-UTSCS-005206	0.3	Not Contained	39.5171	111.4042	No
Butter	2015-IDPAF-000222	0.1	Not Contained	45.0453	116.4605	No
KT Zion	2015-UTZIP-000600	0.4	Controlled 08/22/15	37.288	113.0973	No
River DriveTrestle	2015-UTNWS-000629	0.1	Controlled 08/22/15	40.1097	111.6961	No
Bear Claw	2015-UTSW-000599	0.1	Out 08/22/15	37.0551	113.6356	No
Cliff Top	2015-UTSCS-005204	0.3	Not Contained	39.6097	111.7706	No
White Ledge	2015-UTRID-005203	0.3	Not Contained	39.3559	111.7066	No
Three Mile	2015-UTCCD-000597	0.3	Contained 08/21/15	38.4988	113.1633	No
Trail	2015-UTSW-000595	0.5	Controlled 08/20/15	38.2826	112.6108	No

fires occurred overnight

Large/Emerging Fire Summary:

Great Basin Priority Summary Based on the Most Recent 209's																				
Date 8/22/2015 20:21																				
Priority	State	Unit	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr Change	%	Expected Contain	Complexity / IC	Crews Assigned		Helicopters Assigned			Critical Needs				Threats
								Contained	Date		T-1	T-2 or 21/A	T-1	T-2	T-3	Crews	Aviation	T-1	T-2 or 21/A	
1	ID	PAF	Tepee Springs	60% Confine 40% Full	20 miles south of Riggins, ID	10,170	-1330	20%	10/15	Type 2 Demasters	4	7	1	1	2	8 IHC, 4 T2IA				Elk Creek Community 250 Residences Hwy 95 corridor
2	ID	SIS	Rapid	20% Confine 80% Full	12 miles SW of McCall, ID	3,584	+599	12%	9/2	Type 2 Dunford	2	9	1	1	2	4 T1 IHC's, 4 T2IA's, 2 T1 Helo, AA				39 Residences, Area Closures, Grazing allotments
3	ID	SCF	Bobcat	Point	15 miles N of Salmon, ID	237	NC	25%	NR	Type 2 Whalen	2	5	1	1	1	2 T2IA's, T1 Helo, T2 Helo				383 Residences, 31 MixCom/17 Outbuildings, Hwy 93
4	ID	BOF	Cougar	Full	12 miles NE of Cascade, ID	832	+21	48%	8/25	Type 2 Rosenthal	6	4	1	1	1	1 Hoist Helo.				Timber, structures w/in 2.5 miles, Road Closures
5	ID	PAF	Campbells	Point	10 miles SE of Dixie, ID	3,550	+750	0%	10/10	Type 3 Sawyer	1					IR flight/IRIN				Pvt. Holdings, Area Closure
6	ID	BOD	Soda	Full	40 miles SW of Boise, ID	285,361	NC	95%	8/25	Type 3 Budd					1					CSGH, Ranch, Residences, trail and area closures
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For more detail, see [Great Basin 7-Day Fire Potential Outlook](#)

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